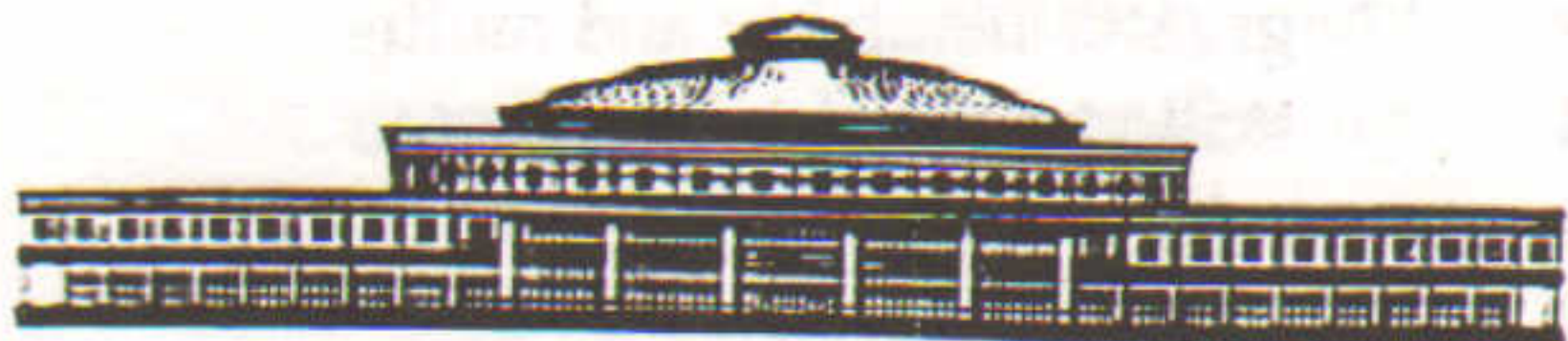


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SHELTON STATE EMPLOYEE NAMED ALABAMA'S TWO YEAR COLLEGE OUTSTANDING SUPPORT STAFF PERSON

Judy Holland, secretary for technical education at Shelton State Community College, was recently named the Support Staff Member of the Year for the state's two year colleges during the Alabama College Association meeting in Birmingham. As part of the 11th anniversary celebration of the Chancellor's Awards, Alabama's two year colleges recognized the outstanding Administrator, junior college and technical college faculty members, and alumni in addition to the outstanding support staff

person.

For almost 20 years, Mrs. Holland has worked at Shelton State Community College. She has served as secretary to the dean of instruction since 1983. Currently she serves on the executive committee for the AEA Support Staff Group.

She has been an active volunteer for total quality management training at the college and was chosen to be a member of the Implementation Design Team, whose purpose is to implement a paradigm shift in college governance according to the ideals of Total Quality Management (TQM).

Mrs. Holland is an active member of Carroll's Creek Baptist Church where she teaches Sunday School. She has actively been involved with the Parents Teachers Association at Huntington Place Elementary School and Tuscaloosa County High School. She has helped the Tuscaloosa County High School Band Boosters, working concession stands, chaperoning, and fund raising. She is also a volunteer for the Kentuck Association.

Her nomination form noted that Mrs. Holland has had to adapt to the rapid technological changes

brought on by advancements in the computer industry. She literally taught herself to become proficient with each program used by the college. She taught herself ProWrite and then later learned WordPerfect. When windows technology evolved, she enrolled in a WordPerfect for Windows class. She has also learned spread sheet and data sheet programs, sometimes more than one of each in order to be compatible with programs being used by other offices.

"Mrs. Holland has been a loyal employee of Shelton State," said Shelton President Tom Umphrey. "She is always a calm voice of reason at the college, making her suggestions in her typical polite, good-natured manner. Her co-workers judge her a delight to work with and one who shoulders more than her share of the responsibility."

A native of Moundville, Mrs. Holland is a graduate of the Hale County schools.

Currently, she lives in Northport with her husband, Terry, and their children, Haley and Caroline.

**REGISTRATION FOR
SPRING SEMESTER IS
JANUARY 8 AND 9.
CLASSES BEGIN
JANUARY 13.**

SHELTON RESPONDS TO NEEDS OF LOCAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

A college curriculum that responds rapidly to the needs of the community is essential in health care today, according to Evelyn Mettee, director of allied health for the college. "My job at Shelton is to find out what type of courses are needed by health care providers of West Alabama and then work to develop these programs at the college. We want to serve in whatever capacity is needed in order to meet the labor needs of the industry and to help train people to fill these jobs," Mettee said.

An example of the college's response is one concerning DCH Regional Medical Center. The hospital was offering a class in medical terminology taught by staff members from their own professional fields.

For example, someone from pulmonary medicine would teach the respiratory system, someone from orthopedics would teach material from that area, etc. "We analyzed the

information, found the proper text to cover the material, and now provide it in a three-semester hour format that gives students the information they need and college credit to apply toward future degrees," said Mettee. "In addition, Shelton is offering a keyboarding class to local physicians and a class in medical terminology."

Shelton has also identified a need in the West Alabama area for medical transcriptionists. We have found a strong demand in this field and are trying to get the word out to prospective students.

"Health care providers also need trained staff to do coding. These people must be trained in how to categorize conditions to receive appropriate payment for medical services rendered. We hope to be able to include this component in our medical transcriptionist program next semester," said Mettee.

"We've also gotten requests to expand our nursing assistant/home health aide program," Mettee said. "These are some trends of the future."

"Our plans call for us to develop a modular curriculum. Modular bases

in various subjects would be offered and students could be trained in one or several modules, thus offering greater flexibility and multi-skilled training," Mettee said.

"For example, we might offer EKG, EEG, and phlebotomy training in individual training modules so that students from various health care majors could become multi-skilled.

This makes the students more marketable during the job search phase, and more valuable to the employer once hired," Mettee added.

Mettee says the college works with all health care providers in West Alabama, both rural and urban. We use our advisory committees to find out what is needed in the various communities," she said.

"There is also a group of local leaders who are working together on a Tuscaloosa Entry Level Work Force Advisory Council. We need people for entry level jobs" Mettee said. "Shelton's role is to help meet the health care needs of this area."

NONCREDIT CLASSES GROW AT SHELTON

A relatively new program, continuing education began at Shelton State in April 1994. During 1996 over 2400 people took some type of noncredit class at the college. Of these classes, the vast majority were courses that offered training for business and industry, both specialized and generic training classes.

According to June Hollingsworth, director of the program, computer classes are by far the most popular type of noncredit classes offered. This spring the college will offer 40 different computer classes, ranging from word processing and data base to Windows 3.1 and Windows '95.

Other generic classes offered through continuing education are real estate courses and a nursing seminar. Some companies whose employees have taken these classes are: Gulf States Paper, Phifer Wire, Jamison, Money, and Farmer, Hunt Oil, Affiliated Paper, Elk Roofing, McAbee Construction, the University of Alabama, DCH Regional Medical

Center, Veterans Administration Hospital, and the Tuscaloosa County School System. The Zinger Miller classes, which teach leadership development, are also popular courses, according to Hollingsworth, and have been offered to Torch and DresserRand this past year.

"In the future the college hopes to identify programs that require professional development activities and offer classes to meet these needs. Some professions that require a certain amount of professional development are nursing, real estate, and accounting," Hollingsworth said.

"Our costs vary according to our expenses," said Hollingsworth.

"However, our costs are low when compared to the costs for companies sending employees out of town to training seminars.

INFORMATION ON THE ATHLETIC PROGRAMS AT SHELTON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, THAT IS REQUIRED BY THE EQUITY IN ATHLETICS DISCLOSURE ACT AS PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER, VOL 20, N. 229 IS AVAILABLE IN THE DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE. STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES MAY REVIEW THIS INFORMATION IN DEAN LEE'S OFFICE.

AN OPEN LETTER TO SHELTON RECRUITERS

by John Speights

*SI TEAM #3
Representative to the
Quality Council*

This is just a note to thank the counseling center staff, the Shelton State recruiting department, the Shelton Ambassadors, and the academic and technical faculty for their outstanding recruiting effort at the annual Career Day at Coleman Coliseum on Tuesday, October 29.

Special thanks to John McDonald, Tuscaloosa county school's college-career program coordinator, for the professional effort made to present Shelton State as an attractive post-high school choice.

As a member of our new Quality Council, I think it is important to recognize quality wherever you find it. I believe the quality of our recruiting effort was the best I have seen at this annual event. Students were very impressed with the displays and offerings of all Shelton State departments. This commitment to teamwork and professional career awareness by our faculty, counselors, and recruiters is greatly appreciated.

A TIME OF LOVE

By Jackie Williams

The Thanksgiving-Christmas holiday is a special time for many individuals, a time of love and thanksgiving. This is particularly true for me this year. In August my elderly sister, Barbara Everage, and her spouse became lost and stranded on a desert in Texas after taking the wrong turn. After the fifth day of not being rescued, my sister's sick spouse died due to health complications. Ms. Everage then left the side of her dead husband and walked for miles in the desert in hopes of finding someone. It was not until the tenth day that a rescue police helicopter spotted Ms. Everage lying motionlessly on the side of the road in a semi-conscious state. She survived to talk about her near death experience and appeared on the Geraldo show in September and December. Currently she is writing a book about her 10-day ordeal, and plans are in the making for a television move based on this story.

Miracles happen every day, at any time and place and in any situation. I am especially grateful to God for this miracle. Our entire family will enjoy and celebrate the 1996 holiday season with Barbara

Everage, truly a time of love and thankfulness. Happy holidays to all!

FACES AND PLACES

*Many thanks to everyone who helped with the Christmas tree project and Cookie Day. A number of people responded to our requests for Christmas ornaments. A special thanks to **Ted Spring** for initiating Cookie Day at the college. Look for expanded activities next Christmas.

*The Shelton State Alumni members had a great Christmas party at Harvey's. Ronda Shirley received a great deal of applause for her handmade gift she brought! If you haven't gotten involved with this new organization, we hope you will in 1997. It's a great group of people.

THIS MONTH ON CAMPUS

FINALS FOR FALL SEMESTER
DECEMBER 16 - 18

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16
Wellness Center Christmas party, 5 p.m. - until.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17
VPAC 10 a.m.
Vice President's Office

WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 18 SI Team #4
3:15 p.m.
Room 319 Skyland

WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 18
Official opening ceremony of the Shelton State gymnasium. 7:30 p.m. NC
BEVILL VS. SHELTON

DECEMBER 19, 20 & 23
Non-Instructional Day

DECEMBER 24, 25, 26, & 27
COLLEGE CLOSED
MERRY CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 30 & 31
NON INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS

DECEMBER 31
Basketball Chattanooga,
Tennessee-Men's (7:30 p.m.) and
Women's (5 p.m.) New Campus

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1
COLLEGE CLOSED
HAPPY NEW YEAR

JANUARY 2 & 3
FACULTY DUTY DAYS

JANUARY 2
FACULTY MEETING
3 p.m. NC 2113

JANUARY 3
DIVISION CHAIRS MEETINGS
1:30 p.m..

THERE WILL NOT BE AN ISSUE OF THE SHELTON CHRONICLE PUBLISHED JANUARY 1 DUE TO THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS!